

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IP PACKET FILTERING BASED ON NON-IP
PACKET TRAFFIC ATTRIBUTES

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 Control and management of communication traffic. IP
packet filtering occurs in an operating system kernel
implementation of, for example, the TCP/IP protocol suite.
Access rules are expressed as filters referencing system
kernel data; for outbound processing, source application
10 indicia is determined; for inbound packet processing, a
look-ahead function is executed to determine target
application indicia; and responsive to the source or target
application indicia, filter processing is executed.